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For: SORTING AND IMMOBILIZATION SYSTEM)
FOR NUCLEIC ACIDS USING SYNTHETIC)
BINDING SYSTEMS)
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed August 21, 2003, please amend the above-referenced application as follows.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 4 of this paper.

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